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## REPLY

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This Reply is being filed in response to the Office Action mailed from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on October 22, 2003 in the above-identified application. Reconsideration and further examination are requested. Exhibits P and Q accompany this Reply.

An extension of time to respond to the Office Action is respectfully requested. A Petition for Extension of Time and the appropriate fee are being filed concurrently with this Reply.

Please amend the application as follows: